



U.S. Embassy Kathmandu's "We Love Nepal" Video Contest

Are you a filmmaker or an aspiring filmmaker in Nepal? Do you love Nepal and have an interest in using film to showcase your skills and the unique aspects of your country? Do you want the opportunity to have your film screened at our American Corners in Nepal and highlighted on our Facebook page? Well, here is your chance!

The U.S. Embassy Kathmandu would like to encourage aspiring videographers in Nepal to use their medium in a creative way to highlight Nepal, and therefore announces the "We Love Nepal" video contest. The U.S. Embassy in Nepal invites residents of Nepal to submit digital video clips that illustrate what you love most about your country. A final selection of video clips will be posted on the Embassy's Facebook and YouTube pages. The U.S. Embassy Kathmandu, with input from Facebook, Twitter and YouTube followers, will select one video that best captures the essence of Nepal, whether it be places, culture, history or heritage. Video submissions will be accepted through November 28th, 2011 and the winners will be announced on the U.S. Embassy Kathmandu's Facebook page on December 6, 2011. Please read the terms and conditions below before submitting your entries.

Be creative, informative, unique!

Winners:

The selected winning videographer will:

- Receive a reserved place in the Script Writing Workshop at the Kathmandu International Mountain Film Festival 2011 (December 8-12, 2011)
- Receive season tickets for entry to all the screenings, discussion and lecture programs at the Kathmandu International Mountain Film Festival 2011 (December 8-12, 2011)
- Have his/her video screened at special Embassy events at all American Corners throughout Nepal

The second and third best videographers will:

- Receive a hardbound book relating to photography
- Receive season tickets for entry to all the screenings, discussion and lecture programs at the Kathmandu International Mountain Film Festival 2011 (December 8-12, 2011)
- Have his/her video screened at special Embassy events at all American Corners throughout Nepal

The U.S. Embassy will also award film festival tickets to select videographers who place within the top 10 best submissions.

Selection Process:

All videos received will be evaluated by an internal Embassy panel, which will select **10 finalists** to post on the Embassy's Facebook and YouTube sites from **November 30-December 5, 2011**. On December 6, 2011, the Embassy panel, with voting input from Facebook and YouTube followers, will select one video that is deemed to be the favorite depiction of Nepal and will announce the decision on the Embassy's Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/nepal.usembassy>.

Terms and Conditions of the "We Love Nepal" Video Contest:

- Entries must be received by **5pm (Nepal local time) on November 28, 2011**.
- To enter, email your digital file as an attachment to email address hpwqr1tgptrr@m.youtube.com.
- You must be a resident of Nepal.
- All contestants should submit an original video work, which has not won awards in any other competition. Only one video entry per contestant. Use of images, audio files in the creation of this work must be conducted with full respect to international copy right law. You may be asked to prove your rights to use this work in whole or in part.
- Each digital video submission should be **no longer than 3 minutes**. It must be in .mpg format.
- Each entry must contain the following information: Title, Author, Region of residence (in Nepal), Comments about when and where the clip was filmed. Please also include this information in the body of your email.
- Contestants must provide contact information, either an email address or telephone number.
- Entries that do not include the information indicated above will not be considered.
- Each digital video entry that include music must contain proof of permissions for all music or include documentation that any music is self-composed or from a copyright-free source. Any entry of a video with music that does not have this required information will be not be considered.
- By submitting an entry, you give the U.S. Embassy Kathmandu the right to post the video and the videographer's name on our web site and other social media sites. You also agree that your name and video may be published by Nepali news or media organizations.
- Participants must have authorization to publish any footage in which any clearly identifiable person appears (if the person is a minor, proper written authorization from his parent or legal guardian is required.)
- The use of vulgar, offensive, threatening or harassing language or content is prohibited and will be removed if added. This includes any content of this nature that is portrayed in the background of the submission.
- This video contest is not open to the promotion or advertisement of a business or commercial transaction. The U.S. Embassy Kathmandu, under their rights as the contest producer, does have the right to use your video to promote its online communities on the Internet. It also has the right to show your video in any public form sponsored by the U.S. Government. Some or all of your video may be used in both print publications and to promote the U.S. Embassy Kathmandu's online communities. Your work will be attributed. The U.S. Government and the U.S. Embassy Kathmandu will not sell or make any profit from your original work submitted to this contest. The contestant retains the sole ownership rights to the original work.
- The selection of the winner by U.S. Embassy Kathmandu is final.
- Acknowledgement that the promotion is in no way sponsored, endorsed or administered by, or associated with, Facebook or YouTube.
- Disclosure that the participant is providing information to U.S. Embassy Kathmandu and not to YouTube or Facebook.
- Participants may be asked to complete a release form for Facebook.